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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's letter dated 05/20/2003 in regard to the above-identified pending U.S. Patent Application, <u>Applicant elects</u> Group 1, <u>claims 1 - 13 and 17</u> without traverse. This is a continuation in part application of 09/692,963, filed 10/20/2000 which it is believed had power of attorney therein covering subsequent continuation applications.

Respectfully submitted,

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